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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF
FRANÇOIS GUGUMUS
APPLICATION NO: 09/899,438
FILED: JULY 5, 2001
FOR: STABILIZER MIXTURES

Group Art Unit: 1714
Examiner: Margaret B. Medley

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT

Sir:

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Office action mailed October 28, 2003.
The Office Action set a shortened statutory period for response to expire on January 28, 2004.
A petition for one (1) month extension of time covers upto and including Monday, March 1st.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee due, or credit any overcharge, as a result of this Amendment to Deposit Account No. 03-1935.

IN THE CLAIMS

Kindly amend the claims to read as follows.